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Spain.—Instead of the set of stamps which we have long been accustomed to get from this country we have just received three stamps of the type given above, all it will be noted values not heretofore represented by Spanish labels: 15 centimos, salmon; 30 centimos, mauve; 75 centimos, lilac.

Porto Rico.—We add the values of this island not chronicled in our January number: \(\frac{1}{2}\) mil de peso, rose; 4 mil de peso, pale lake; 6 mil de peso, brown: 40 mil de peso, blue.

BHOPAUL.—Our second illustration represents the new issue for this State. The colors and values are: 1 anna, brown; 2 annas, blue black; 4 annas, yellow ochre.

CANADA.—Economy appears to have been the only principle consulted in the adoption of the new postcard. The stamp is a poor copy of the wrapper.

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE.—A newspaper wrapper from this colony is quite a novelty, although the stamp itself is but a copy of the one used for the same purpose in the mother country, the name CAPE OF GOOD HOPE being above in place of "postage" 1 penny, brown.

ECUADOR.—We give an illustration of the lowest value of the set for this country, and are happy to say they are now in active circulation.

VICTORIA.—We neglected to announce the 4d. of this colony in our last issue. The design is identical with the last issued 2d.

Fiji.—A new departure has been taken by this colony in issuing a long stamp with portrait of Queen Victoria in center; name Fiji above and value below. We understand that a five shilling of the same type is in preparation; 1 shilling, brown.

New Caledonia.—Last issue we chronicled a surcharged French stamp, as used in this island. Since then two others have been added, a 30c. and 35c., with similar surcharge.

SANDWICH ISLES.—A new set of stamps are in preparation for these islands, as follows:

1 cent, blue, bust of Princess Likelike.

10 cents, black, portrait of King Kalakaua. 15 cents, red-brown, bust of Queen Kapiolani.

Also, the postcards, as follows:

1 cent, red, for inter-insular use.

2 cents, black, view of Dramard Head.

3 cents, green, puloulou and torches crossed.

INDIA.—Issuing a few at a time India is fast getting quite a respectable stock of postage stamps, her latest issues being: 1 annas 6 pies, chocolate; 3 annas, orange.

DUTCH East Indies.—Has been supplied with a set of unpaid letter stamps of the same design as lately adopted by the mother country. The values are, 24, 5, 20, 40, and 75 cents. printed in carmine, with black numerals in center.

LUXEMBURG.—In addition, to the set of stamps surcharged official, a new series has been issued, bearing the letters "S. P." This for use on foreign official letters.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS. - We annex the following list of provisionals lately issued, all printed on revenue stamps:

2 coms., yellow surcharge, on 200 mils de peso, green, Derechos de Firma.

1 real, black surcharge, on 10 cuartos, brown, Derecho Judicial.

2 reals, carmine surcharge, or 2 reals blue, Derecho Judicial.

We also have two new values of a regular issue, same design as 1880 stamps; 24c.

de peso, blue; 124c. de peso, rose.

PORTUGUESE INDIES.—Collectors have been much troubled of late with surcharges on these stamps, many having a very suspicious look. Probably their fears were, in most cases, unfounded, as we now have before us an authentic issue with new values, evidently made from the .ld plates, as follows:

1½ reis, black; 4½ reis, olive; 6 reis, green; 1 tanga, rose.

a tanga, blue; 4 tanga, lilac; 8 tanga, orange.









EGYPT .- The ten paras did not remain long in its new shade, for we now find it

printed in pearl-gray.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA. - Surcharges again - this time HALF PENNY on the current penny. ARGENTINE REPUBLIC. - A friend of ours devotes all his energy to collecting surcharged stamps, and, from present appearances, he has as much to do as the ordinary collector, as certainly half our space is taken up in describing provisional issues. The Argentine has just made a new value, by perforating the 5c. in half-horizontally and surcharging it, with a large one-half and (PROVISORIO) below.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—At length, it is to be hoped, we have seen the last of surcharges for this place. Two new stamps have appeared, bearing the conventional pro-

file of Her Majesty, with name above and value below.

5 cents, deep mauve. 10 cents, black.

PORTUGAL. - A new design, far superior to the essays of the last year, has just made its appearance. In the center we have a fine three quarter face portrait of the King in circle inscribed correos e telegraphos, the name portugal on band above, with value on similar scroll below.

25 reis, red brown.

PERU.—Although, as a general rule, we are disgusted with surcharges, first, because it shows stupidity on the part of postal officials to allow their stock of stamps to run so low that they have to resort to such expedients to keep afloat while waiting a new stock, and, second, because their is such a vast field for fraud opened by the rude devices usually adopted. Fortunately, none of these objections are attached to the surchages of this country; hence we look on them with great interest, as there is more history in a well post-marked copy of one of these stamps than is usually found in a magazine article treating on the same subject. The arms of a conquering country stamped on the coins of a subjected nation is a familiar sight to numismatists, but this is the first case in history in which the postage stamps of a country have been thus commissioned to carry the story of its subjection to future ages. These are the reasons which have induced us to prepare the following list of Chilian surcharges found on Peruvian stamps:

Surcharged inscription in oval band, UNION POSTAL UNIVERSAL PERU, in center PLATA

with line above and below in black.

1 centavo, green; 2c., rose; 5c., blue; 50c., green; 1 sol, rose. Same as last, with LIMA in place of "Peru," in b.ack.

1 centavo, green; 2c., rose; 5c., blue; 5c., green; 1 sol, rose.

Surcharged in black, inscription in horseshoe band, UNION POSTAL UNIVERSAL PERU, with Chilian arm stuck in color in center.

1 centavo, green and red; 5c., blue and red; 50c., rose and blue; 1 sol, blue and red.

Surcharged with Chilian arms in color.

1 centavo, orange and blue; 2c., purple and black; 5c., blue and red; 10c., green

and red: 20c., carmine and blue.

We have also seen a very roughly engraved stamp of the same general design as the current set; with arms, having diez centavos above, peru below in straight lines; in oval band, departados del sur timbres, 1881-1882, printed in blue on very thin paper and surcharged in red with some undecipherable word in oval. They have every appearance of revenue stamps, but, in at least two cases they came on letters to this country without other stamps.

#### SHORT-HAND WRITING.

This is a subject which we have no practical knowledge, and would of course, be unable to decide on the merits of the different systems now in use, but we are assured by parties who have made a study of short hand writing, that the system invented by Mr. Lindsley has many advantages over the old styles which have heretofore been used by reporters and others. Mr. W. P. Brown, so long and favorably known to stamp and coin collectors throughout the country, has concluded to devote his entire time to the introduction of this system to the business wants of the country, and we have no doubt but that his entiring energy will soon make itself felt in the rapid spread of this system, while his reputation for sound judgment will be sufficient guarantee that "Takigraphy" is the best. As a profitable subject for study we can heartily recommend it to our readers, all of whom we would advise to subscribe to the Short-Hand Writer, published at 252 Broadway, New York City. Terms, \$2.00 per year; single copies, 20 cents.

### THE NEW COINAGE OF HAYTI.





On page 21 of our second volume we gave a complete list of the coins of this country which has held good to the date of the emission of the beautiful series represented above by an engraving of its principal member, the unit of the new system of money adopted by the republic.

The obverse depicts a matronly female profile to right, with head draped; REPUBLIQUE D'HAITI AN 78. 900 MILL. 1881. 25 GRAM. Reverse; a trophy of arms with liberty tree in center, and motto below, L'UNION FAIT LA FORCE; legend, LIBERTE,

EGALITE, FRATERNITE. 1 GOURDE.

Taken altogether it is a very superior coin, the head, if lacking in actual beauty, is thoroughly good, and by the graceful covering of the hair may leave the question open whether it is intended for a European or African type, or at least give our colored friends the chance to claim it if they so desire; then the legend is comprehensive; giving information in a small space. First we have the form of government, then the name of the country, with the number of years it has enjoyed an independent government; below we have the fineness of the silver, the dates of its issue, and actual weight; not forgetting the artist's name.

The reverse gives the national arms and motto, the oft-proclaimed "liberty," &c., and

the name of the coin.

We need scarcely say that the work is French in design and execution, manufactured, if we mistake not. at the Paris mint.

The set consists of five pieces, we are informed, corresponding throughout with the

French money.

It is really humilitating to compare this set of coins issued by a nation, a barely civilized people of mixed African race, with our own money, which has grown poorer in design at every change, since the foundation of the country, and is not even decimal, which it pretends to be .- Coin Collectors' Journal.

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The next sale (41), consisted of the coins belonging to Mr. W. P. Brown, which were saved from the great fire in Park Row, very fair prices were realized, considering the miscellaneous character of the consignment. Priced catalogues of this sale can be had

The 42d sale was the fine collection, formerly the property of Maj.-Gen. Raffalovich, of Russia, so well known in New York six years ago. This catalogue was beautifully of Russia, so well known in New York six years ago. This catalogue was beautifully illustrated with a photo plate of the rarest stamps, some of which realized high prices, notably the Brattleboro, \$150.00, the 5c. St. Louis, \$30.00, and others; still we are convinced that if the same pieces were to be sold to-morrow they would bring a fair advance on prices just paid. Priced catalogues of this sale can be had at 50c. each.

The 43d sale was one of the most extraordinary ever held, consisting of hundreds of thousands of stamps, many of which were more or less soiled by smoke, being the part of Mr. Brown's stock, which the safe protected from the flames, although they went

down from the third floor to the sub-cellar in a firery furnace, and remained there for two days. The sale lasted four days, and realized about twelve hundred dollars per day. Price list of this sale can be had, \$1.50 each.

Catalogues of the 45th sale are now ready, and will be sent free to all purchasers of cons at former sales. This collection, the property of Mr. John Acker, consists of a good line of the American series of coins, with a fair sprinkling of foreign pieces, just

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### CORRESPONDENCE.

BRITISH GUIANA, GEORGETOWN, DEMERARA, 10th January, 1882

To the Editor of THE AMERICAN JOURNAL OF PHILATELY:

Sir:-If you think the following few remarks of any interest to your readers, kindly publish them in your paper, and I shall be very pleased to have given the Philatical world some news.

As no doubt you know the country I am writing from, has, I think, the most valu-

able stamps in existence to collectors.

The circular, 1850, you can hardly buy at any price here; the o'long 1c. and 4c., same date, are also very rare; the two most valuable stamps are those two 4c. stamps blue and red square, printed in the Colony, 1856; they are quoted at \$50.

In conclusion, December, 1881, and January, 1882, will be very long remembered by

stamp collectors here.

I do not think you would find in any Colony six better stamp collections than are a found here. We have several great Philatical enthusiasts here.

In December, last year, the postal authorities ran short of 1c. and 2c. stamps, and decided to surcharge the 96c. ones, and they were all bought up in a very few days and mostly shipped to England. Then the following came out:

1863, 48c. red, surcharged 1c.

1860, 12c. lilac, surcharged 1c, (very rare, only about 80 printed).

1876, 12c. lilac, official, surcharged 2c. 1876, 24c. green, official, surcharged 2c. 1876, 48c. brown, official, surcharged 1c.

Now we are using, till 23d of this month, stamps printed in the Colony, similar to 1862, only with a ship in the center; some have ships and some barks. Four new stamps for 1882.

red, with ship and bark. 2c. yellow, with ship and bark.

Colony printed, perforated and no gum, when sold new. St. Vincent has surcharged her 1s. red with 4 pence.

St. Lucia has two Provisional stamps, one surcharged halfpenny and the other 4c. I send you a few of the new stamps.

I remain, sir.. Yours faithfully, "ALPHA."

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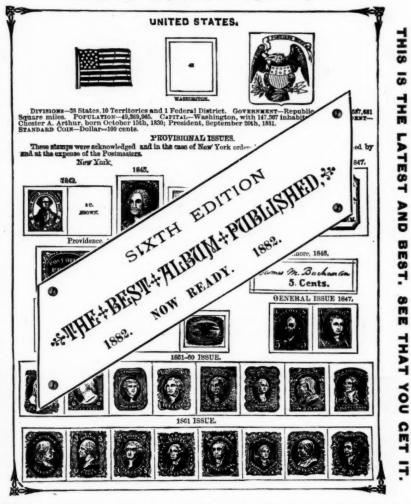
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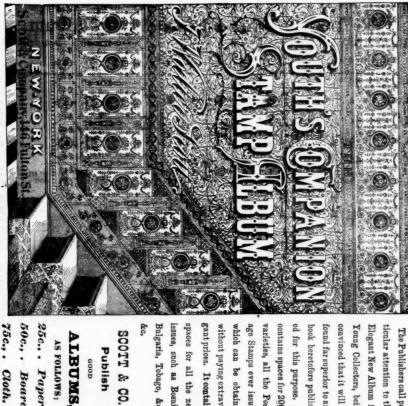
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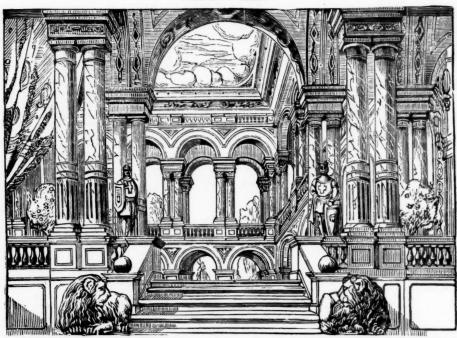
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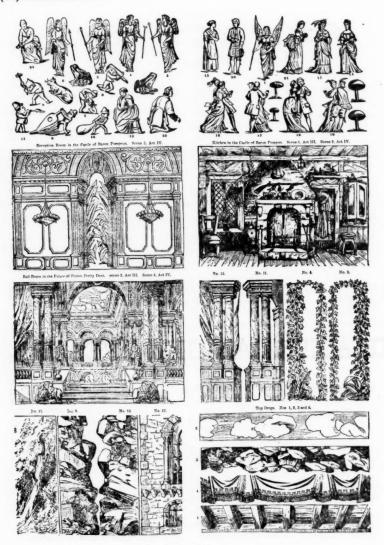
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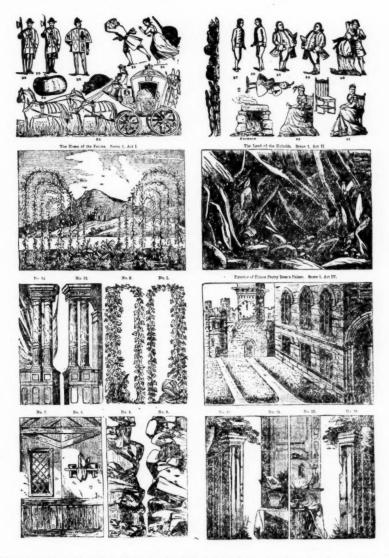
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